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**Weekly Weather Crop Report**

Week Ending: June 9, 1996

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According to the Mississippi Agricultural Statistics Service, there were 4.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending June 9, 1996. The main farming activities for the week included planting sorghum, soybeans and harvesting wheat and hay. Rain delayed wheat and hay harvesting but was very beneficial for row crops. The rain last week was too late to activate many pre-emerge chemicals and now farmers are trying to clean up weeds in their fields. Soil moisture is 3 percent very short, 12 percent short, 69 percent adequate and 16 percent surplus.

Progress in Percentages						Conditions in Percentages				
Item	Event	This Week	Last Week	1995	5-Yr Avg	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	Emerged	100	100	100	91	0	5	17	64	14
	Silked	14	5	27	18					
Cotton	Planted	100	100	100	96	0	1	16	63	20
	Emerged	100	99	100	92					
	Squaring	58	31	42	23					
Rice	Emerged	100	100	100	82	0	3	15	63	19
Sorghum	Planted	98	96	98	87	1	3	24	52	20
	Emerged	96	90	94	82					
Soybeans	Planted	95	93	81	60	0	4	24	53	19
	Emerged	91	84	72	51					
Wheat	Mature	96	73	97	90	1	10	14	48	27
	Harvested	45	9	43	31					
Hay (Cool Season)	Harvested	92	86	92	--	4	21	32	40	3
Hay (Warm Season)	Harvested	27	13	24	--					
Peaches	Harvested	16	8	7	19	84	10	3	3	0
Peanuts	Planted	99	97	100	83	0	0	10	84	6
Sweetpotatoes	Planted	29	24	44	52	0	0	7	86	7
Watermelons	Planted	100	99	97	94	0	2	23	71	4
Blueberries						14	32	30	21	3
Cattle						1	6	38	49	6
Pasture						3	20	36	36	5

### County Agent Comments

"All crops and pastures responded well to last week's rain. Good soil conditions this week allowed soybeans and sweetpotato planting to progress. Early season cotton insects are abundant. The cold, icy winter did not lower insect populations as expected. High grain prices continue to hammer livestock producers."

— Mike Howell, Calhoun County

"Rain delayed soybean planting this week. Replanting was necessary in some soybean fields. Cotton is improving and is in the 4th - 6th node of development. Hay harvesting is behind schedule with poor drying conditions for the last 10 days."

— Dalton G. Garner, Prentiss County

"About 2 inches of rain has been received the last two weeks and has turned our crops around. Weed problems are popping up in fields due to poor conditions when pre-emergence herbicides were used."

— Ed Williams, Oktibbeha County

"Cotton is beginning to square. Recent rains have encouraged pasture growth for summer grasses. Dairies are feeling the onslaught of heat stress in their cattle."

— Patrick Poindexter, Pike County

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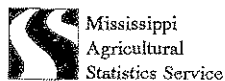
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# Weather Summary From June 3, 1996 to June 9, 1996 For Mississippi

District/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				4 Inch Soil Temperature			Ave Pan Evap
	Max	Min	Ave	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks	Max	Min	Ave	
1. Upper Delta													
Clarksdale	89	64	76	78	-1	0.81	-0.31	1	3.17	88	71	79	0.30
Cleveland	90	61	75			0.68		5	2.97				
Tunica	90	56	71	76	-5	3.18	+2.09	4	4.66	88	72	79	0.66
Extreme/Average	90	56	74	77	-3	1.56	+0.45	3	3.60	88	71	79	0.36
2. North-Central													
Holly Springs	87	54	71	73	-2	4.76	+3.82	4	9.52	90	68	77	0.24
Memphis	88	57	72	77	-6	6.16	+5.43	5	10.28				
Oxford	89	58	73	74	-1	2.62	+1.63	4	6.43				
Extreme/Average	89	54	72	75	-3	4.51	+3.82	4	8.74	90	68	77	0.24
3. Northeast													
Booneville	87	58											
Corinth	91	59	75	76	-1	1.46	+0.72	4	4.84				
Iuka	86	55	70			2.17		5	4.95				
Pontotoc	88	57	73	75	-2	4.30	+3.33	4	6.19	87	70	79	0.24
Tupelo	87	59	73	76	-3	3.79	+2.89	4	6.70				
Verona	97	59	76			1.63		3	3.35	89	67	77	0.27
Extreme/Average	87	55	73	75	-2	2.67	+1.80	4	5.21	89	67	78	0.26
4. Lower Delta													
Belzoni	88	58	75	78	-3	0.15	-0.69	2	7.85	93	73	84	
Greenwood	90	60	75	78	-3	1.04	+0.06	3	2.17				
Rolling Fork	90	58	75			0.11	-0.88	2	2.44	100	77	86	0.21
Stoneville													
Yazoo City	97	63	77	78	-1	0.10	-0.70	2	4.73				
Extreme/Average	97	58	76	78	-2	0.35	-0.55	2	4.30	100	73	85	0.21
5. Central													
Carthage	89	59	74	76	-2	0.48	-0.30	2	3.37				
Jackson	89	59	75	78	-3	0.19	-0.51	1	1.22				
Winona	86	56											
Extreme/Average	89	56	74	77	-2	0.34	-0.40	2	2.30				
6. East-Central													
Brooksville	92	62	79			2.41	+1.62	3	4.06	89	69	80	
Columbus	89	58	73			1.73		6	4.20				
State University	89	57	75	76	-2	1.88	+0.77	4	2.97	95	68	81	
Extreme/Average	92	57	76	76	-1	2.01	+1.06	4	3.74	95	68	81	
7. Southwest													
Crystal Springs	89	58	76			0.41		2	3.89	92	73	83	
Natchez	88	61	75	78	-4	1.16	+0.35	1	3.70				
Oakley	88	58	75			0.18	-0.49	2	3.23	93	70	81	
Vicksburg	87	63	76			0.72		2	4.07				
Extreme/Average	89	58	75	78	-3	0.62	-0.12	2	3.72	93	70	82	
8. South-Central													
Columbia	89	60	75	78	-3	0.56	-0.20	2	3.23				
McComb	90	60	76	77	-2	0.04	-0.98	1	2.41				
Extreme/Average	90	60	75	78	-2	0.30	-0.59	2	2.82				
9. Southeast													
Beaumont	93	60	77			1.30		2	2.20	101	74	84	
Hattiesburg	91	59	76	78	-2	1.55	+0.45	4	2.70				
Laurel													
Meridian	89	59	73	77	-3	0.85	+0.26	4	4.22				
Newton	91	58	75	76	-1	0.67	+0.11	3	2.05	86	67	78	0.21
Extreme/Average	93	58	75	77	-2	1.09	+0.34	3	2.79	101	67	80	0.21
10. Coastal													
Bay St Louis	91	63	78			2.21		1	6.04				
Biloxi	88	67	78			0.19		4	5.78				
Gulfport	86	63	76	79	-3	1.38	+0.43	4	9.64				
Pascagoula	85	59	73	79	-7	1.13	+0.16	3	1.96				
Poplarville	90	60	76	79	-3	1.77	+0.79	2	2.87	94	69	81	0.26
Extreme/Average	91	59	76	79	-3	1.34	+0.37	3	5.26	94	69	81	0.26
State	97	54	75	77	-2	1.48	+0.60	3	4.25	101	67	80	0.24

DFN = Departure from Normal.

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